

## BOARD OF APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING (SOUTHERN REGION) Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Government of India

## RTI - Third Party Audit – NITTTR, Chennai FY - 2022-23

## Summary Report

All the public authority should proactively disclose the information under the Right to Information Act, Section 4, which will help to bring the transparency in the administration. Transparency Audit by Third Party that needs to be conducted by the Training Institute under the Ministry has been sought. As per CIC's D.O. letter dated 05.003.2019, each Ministry / Public Authority should get its proactive disclosure package audited by third party audit every year. BOAT, Chennai has been instructed by CIC to conduct the third party audit for NITTTR, Chennai.

As per the guidelines given by the CIC, the information which is available in public portal of NITTTR, Chennai website had been thoroughly analyzed. It is observed that the information relates to few areas have to be shared on website

- Information related to time limit for process decision making. The information is missing in the website, hence it needs to be uploaded.
- In line with section 4 (1)(b)(xiv) of the RTI Act, every public authority is required to proactively publish the specifics of digital content that is accessible to the general public. The website should have been updated with the information since it is missing here.

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- As per the discussion with the authority, the public authority is always encouraging and organizing the programme related RTI Act, but the details are missing in the website. PIO and other official are to be encouraged to attend the RTI training programme to update their knowledge in RTI Act.
- The foreign and domestic tour information related to all officials are to be disclosed
- Information related to procurements, only current notice/tender enquiries related information is available. The information related to the following are missing
  - i. Details of bids awarded
  - ii. The works contract concluded
  - iii. Procurement or works contract to be executed

So, it needs to be uploaded in the website

- Information on CAG and PAC paras and the action taken reports (ATRs) after these have been laid on the table of both houses of the parliament is missing. Information needs to be shared in the website.
- Every public authority should proactively disclose the information related policies / decisions, which affect public as per RTI Act Section 4(1)(c).
- The website information is not available in Vernacular / Local Language. It needs to be uploaded.
- Frequently Asked Questions are to be uploaded in the website.
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- Guidelines for Indian Government Websites (GIGW) is followed (released in February, 2009 and included in the Central Secretariat Manual of Office Procedures (CSMOP) by

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Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievance and Pensions, Govt. Of India). Hence, the information related to STQC certification obtained and its validity and website show the certificate on the Website are missing.

It is suggested that the public authority of National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Chennai may take necessary action to disclose the above discussed information in the website as per the RTI Act Section 4.

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